

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **12 July 2022** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 21 July 2022**

The following proposed key decision has been endorsed by an officer and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

Decision Title & Ref No:	Allocation of Funding for the 2022 Holiday Activities and Food Programme - OKD14 (22/23)
Officer responsible for decision	Assistant Director (Education and Skills) (Paul Wagstaff)
Electoral Divisions	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>The Department for Education (DfE) have provided every local authority in England funding to coordinate free holiday provision, including healthy food and enriching activities for children eligible for benefits related free school meals (FSM). Referred to as the Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) the funding provided is for the Easter, summer and Christmas Holidays; the County Council has an allocation of up to £1,746,440 for the 2022 HAF programme.</p> <p>Expressions of Interest (EOI) have been received from a range of organisations in West Sussex to provide activities and food during the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays. Following an evaluation of these EOI a range of organisations were awarded funding for one week of the Easter holidays; this resulted in the expenditure of £291,172.</p> <p>As the provision for the summer holidays will be for a 4-week period this will result in expenditure of over £500k, requiring an officer key decision. This report seeks approval to distribute the funding to organisations whose offer has met the required criteria and outlines the proposed arrangements for the remainder of the funding allocation the County Council will receive.</p>
Decision	<p>The Assistant Director (Education and Skills) has approved:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) The award of Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme summer grants to the organisations identified in Appendix A of the report up to a total value of £970,265.(2) The allocation of further HAF funds to the anticipated value of £30,000, to assist providers with delivering the food offer in specific circumstances and to ensure inclusivity for children with higher needs, as described in paragraph 2.4 of the report.

	(3) The allocation of HAF funds to an anticipated value of £200,000 to providers for a programme for the Christmas holiday.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None
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Background papers	See report for details